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## *The University of Dayton*

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## *News Release*

DAYTON, Ohio, May 9, 1988--The University of Dayton School of Education will be holding a free Urban Summer Education Program on campus this summer, designed to encourage black teenagers to pursue careers in teaching.

Forty black students in the Dayton area, who will be sophomores or seniors this fall, will be selected to attend the program, which will be held June 19-July 2. Each student must have at least a 2.5 grade point average, write an essay on why he or she is interested in teaching and obtain a written recommendation from the high school. The UD School of Education is funding the entire program.

"There is a severe shortage of black teachers across the country," said program coordinator Thomas J. Matczynski, a professor of education at UD. "Only about 6 1/2 percent of all U.S. teachers are black or minority, which is down from 9 to 10 percent about 10 years ago." Matczynski said the Urban Summer Education Program has been designed to begin attracting students into the profession and specifically to UD.

During the two-week program, the students will live in campus dormitories, supervised by local public school officials. About 15 UD faculty members will lead classes in science, writing, microcomputer usage, math and study skills. In addition, teaching and library orientation will be provided. Athletic and social activities also are slated during the program.

For more information on the Urban Summer Education Program, contact Dr. Thomas J. Matczynski, 326 Chaminade Hall, The University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio 45469 or call 229-3734. Deadline for applications is May 30.